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Semiconductor Wafers In A Variable-Pressure
Chamber.

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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION
OF SPECIES/RESTRICTION

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This is in response to an Election of Species requirement dated September 24,
2003, setting a shortened statutory period for response expiring October 24, 2003.

Applicant hereby elects Species A directed to "paddle with openings". The
following claims read on this species: 1-9, 12-15, 17-19, 22-25 and 27-32.

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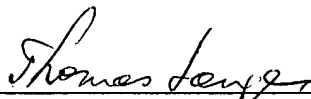
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It is respectfully solicited that prosecution of this application on the merits now proceed.

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